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# IRONCLADS

(THE MONITOR AND THE MERRIMACK)

William Owens

## Instrumentation

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|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 - Conductor's Full Score | 2 - Baritone/<br>Euphonium        |
| 1 - Opt. Piccolo           | 2 - Baritone T.C.                 |
| 4 - Flute 1                | 4 - Tuba                          |
| 4 - Flute 2                | 1 - Timpani                       |
| 2 - Oboe                   | 2 - Mallet Percussion             |
| 2 - Bassoon                | Bells<br>Chimes                   |
| 5 - B♭ Clarinet 1          | 4 - Percussion 1                  |
| 5 - B♭ Clarinet 2          | Snare Drum<br>Bass Drum           |
| 2 - B♭ Bass Clarinet       | 2 - Percussion 2                  |
| 2 - E♭ Alto Saxophone 1    | Tom-toms<br>Triangle              |
| 2 - E♭ Alto Saxophone 2    | 2 - Percussion 3                  |
| 2 - B♭ Tenor Saxophone     | Crash Cymbals<br>Suspended Cymbal |
| 2 - E♭ Baritone Saxophone  | Brake Drum<br>Gong                |
| 4 - B♭ Trumpet 1           |                                   |
| 4 - B♭ Trumpet 2           |                                   |
| 4 - F Horn                 |                                   |
| 2 - Trombone 1             |                                   |
| 2 - Trombone 2             |                                   |

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## The Composer

William Owens (b. 1963) is a native of Gary, Indiana and a 1985 graduate of VanderCook College of Music in Chicago. A seasoned music educator, Mr. Owens is active as a composer, conductor and clinician throughout the United States and Canada. Mr. Owens has written nearly 200 commissioned and published works for concert band and string orchestra. His music has been programmed at prestigious venues such as the Midwest Clinic and appears on required music lists both nationally and abroad. Principal commissions include those from the California Band Directors Association, the Chicago Public Schools Bureau of Cultural Arts, the South Plains College Dept. of Fine Arts and the Texas University Interscholastic League. He is a consistent winner of the ASCAPPlus award and a two-time recipient of the Forrest L. Buchtel Citation for Excellence in Composition. Professional memberships include ASCAP, the American Composers Forum and the Texas MEA. William resides in Fort Worth, TX with his wife, Georgia.

## Program Notes

After the outbreak of the American Civil War, the Confederacy quickly realized it could not match the naval strength of the industrious North in numbers of ships at sea. The South's answer was to build a superior fleet with iron clad ships, and thusly, the *USS Merrimack* was born. On the morning of March 8, 1862, the *Merrimack* launched an assault on the Union warships the *Cumberland* and *Congress*. After destroying the inferior wooden vessels, the *Merrimack* turned her attention to the *Minnesota*. However, nightfall and damage from battle rendered her unable to continue, and the attack was suspended. After hasty repairs, the *Merrimack* left anchorage the following morning to attack the *Minnesota*; however, the Union's armored challenger, the *USS Monitor*, had arrived and was able to thwart the attack. The two ironclads shortly squared off and commenced battle, but after hours of fighting, neither vessel could claim an advantage. The battle finally ended when a shot from the *Merrimack* struck the *Monitor*'s pilot house and exploded, forcing the *Monitor* to retreat. The *Merrimack* had also sustained extensive damage causing her to draw off as well. Convinced that the *Merrimack* had given up, the *Monitor* ceased fighting with the *Merrimack* and took position only to protect the *Minnesota*. Each side misinterpreted the moves of the other and claimed victory. In the aftermath of this epic melee, all other navies of the world would become obsolete.

*Ironclads* captures the fierceness and raw savagery of the battle that would change naval warfare forever. The introduction begins forebodingly by way of percussion and brass, signifying the initial meeting of the two titans. The music suddenly assumes an intense quick tempo, engaging various styles and volumes to portend the ferocity of the vessels in combat. Tonal dissonance and a flurry of percussion colors are used as well to connote the fury of battle and the rigid determination of two factions interlocked in an infamous chapter of the most terrible war in American history.

## Rehearsal Suggestions

Particular attention to dynamics and style markings are vital to capture the true mood of the music. At measure 15 play toward the higher end of the metronome marking for optimum intensity. As the forte sections are boisterous in nature, the softer sections should counteract with delicacy for greater contrast and interest. The gong (or tam-tam) part, when indicated, should be played with a hard rubber mallet. The brief chime part adds a special flavor, but the music is equally effective without it as it is quite optional.

# IRONCLADS

(The Monitor and the Merrimack)

WILLIAM OWENS  
(ASCAP)

Forebodingly ( $\text{J}=80-88$ )

Flutes (Opt. Piccolo) 1 2

Oboe

Bassoon

B♭ Clarinets 1 2

B♭ Bass Clarinet

E♭ Alto Saxophones 1 2

B♭ Tenor Saxophone

E♭ Baritone Saxophone

B♭ Trumpets 1 2

F Horn

Trombones 1 2

Baritone/Euphonium

Tuba

Timpani (G, B♭, C)  $p$

Mallet Percussion (Bells, Chimes)

Percussion 1 (Snare Drum, Bass Drum)

Percussion 2 (Tom-Toms, Triangle)

Percussion 3 (Crash Cymbals, Suspended Cymbal, Brake Drum, Gong)

Brake Drum  $\wedge$   $\wedge$   $\wedge$

Gong (scrape w/ coin)  $mp$

snares off

2 w/ gong mallet

3  $f$

4

5  $f$



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+Picc.

Fls. 1  
Picc. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1  
div.

2

B. Cl.

A. Saxos 1  
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1  
2

Hn.

Tbns. 1  
2

Bar./  
Euph.

Tuba

Timpani

Mlt. Perc.

Bells

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Cr. Cym.

Suddenly fierce ( $\downarrow = 144-152$ )

poco rit.

Fls. 1  
Picc. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1  
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1  
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1  
2

Hn.

Tbns. 1  
2

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Timpani

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Sus. Cym.

w/ hard  $\text{ff}$   
rubber mallet

Tri.

21

8

Fls. 1  
Picc. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Clrs. 1  
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1  
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1  
2

Hn.

Tbns. 1  
2

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Timpani

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

17      f      V      18      V      19      f      V      20      V      21

Musical score for orchestra, page 7. The score includes parts for Flutes 1 & 2, Piccolo, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet 1 & 2, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1 & 2, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, Trumpet 1 & 2, Horn, Trombone 1 & 2, Bass Trombone, Baritone/Euphonium, Tuba, Timpani, Mallet Percussion, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, and Percussion 3. The music spans measures 22 to 26. Measure 22: Flutes 1 & 2, Piccolo, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet 1 & 2, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1 & 2, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, Trumpet 1 & 2, Horn, Trombone 1 & 2, Bass Trombone, Baritone/Euphonium, Tuba, Timpani, Mallet Percussion, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, and Percussion 3 are silent. Measure 23: Bassoon, Clarinet 1 & 2, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1 & 2, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, Trumpet 1 & 2, Horn, Trombone 1 & 2, Bass Trombone, Baritone/Euphonium, Tuba, Timpani, Mallet Percussion, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, and Percussion 3 play. Measure 24: Bassoon, Clarinet 1 & 2, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1 & 2, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, Trumpet 1 & 2, Horn, Trombone 1 & 2, Bass Trombone, Baritone/Euphonium, Tuba, Timpani, Mallet Percussion, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, and Percussion 3 play. Measure 25: Bassoon, Clarinet 1 & 2, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1 & 2, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, Trumpet 1 & 2, Horn, Trombone 1 & 2, Bass Trombone, Baritone/Euphonium, Tuba, Timpani, Mallet Percussion, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, and Percussion 3 play. Measure 26: Bassoon, Clarinet 1 & 2, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1 & 2, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, Trumpet 1 & 2, Horn, Trombone 1 & 2, Bass Trombone, Baritone/Euphonium, Tuba, Timpani, Mallet Percussion, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, and Percussion 3 play.

29

Fls. 1  
Picc.  
Ob.  
Bsn.  
Clrs.  
B. Cl.  
A. Saxes  
T. Sax.  
B. Sax.  
Tpts.  
Hn.  
Tbns.  
Bar./  
Euph.  
Tuba  
Timpani  
Mlt. Perc.  
Perc. 1  
Perc. 2  
Perc. 3

27 V 28 V 29 V 30 31

Fls. 1  
Picc.  
Ob.  
Bsn.  
Clss.  
B. Cl.  
A. Saxes  
T. Sax.  
B. Sax.  
Tpts.  
Hn.  
Tbns.  
Bar./  
Euph.  
Tuba  
Timpani  
Mlt. Perc.  
Perc. 1  
Perc. 2  
Perc. 3

32 33 V 34 35 *mf* 36 *f* V

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37

Fls. 1  
Picc. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1  
2

A. Sax.

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1  
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1  
2

Hn.

Tbns. 1  
2

Bar./  
Euph.

Tuba

Timpani

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

37

38

39

40

41

42

w/ gong mallet

Fls. 1  
Picc. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1  
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1  
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1  
2

Hn.

Tbns. 1  
2

Bar./  
Euph.

Tuba

Timpani

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

43

44

45

46

47

*f*

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Fls. 1  
Picc. 2  
Ob.  
Bsn.  
1 Cls.  
2 Cls.  
B. Cl.  
A. Saxes 1  
2  
T. Sax.  
B. Sax.  
Tpts. 1  
2  
Hn.  
Tbns. 1  
2  
Bar./  
Euph.  
Tuba  
Timpani  
Mlt. Perc.  
Perc. 1  
Perc. 2  
Perc. 3

48 49 50 51 *f* 52 53

Bells  
snares off  
Cr. Cym.

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54

Fls. 1  
Picc. 2

Ob.

Euph.  
Bsn.

Cl. 1  
Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1  
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts.

Cl. 1  
Cl. 2

Hn.

Tbns. 1  
2

Bar./  
Euph.

Tuba

Timpani

Chimes

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

54 *p* 55 56 *mf* 57 58 *p*



Fls. 1  
Picc.  
Ob.  
Bsn.

Cl. 1  
Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1  
A. Saxes 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1  
Tpts. 2

Hn.

Tbns. 1  
Tbns. 2

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Timpani

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

64 p  
65 ff  
66 f  
67 ff  
68 f  
69 ff  
70 f  
71 ff  
72 f

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Fls. 1  
Picc.  
Ob.  
Bsn.  
Clis.  
B. Cl.  
A. Saxes  
T. Sax.  
B. Sax.  
Tpts.  
Hn.  
Tbns.  
Bar./  
Euph.  
Tuba  
Timpani  
Mlt. Perc.  
Perc. 1  
Perc. 2  
Perc. 3

Cr. Cym.

69                    70 *f*                    71                    72                    73 *p*

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74

Fls. 1  
Picc. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1  
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxos 1  
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1  
2

Hn.

Tbns. 1  
2

Bar./  
Euph.

Tuba

Timpani

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Brake Drum

74 *f* ————— 75 *mf* ————— 76 *f* ————— 77 *mf* ————— 78 *f*

80

Tpts.

Hn.

Tbns. 1 2

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Timpani

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

80

w/ hard rubber mallet

v v

81

82

83

88

-Picc.

*mp*

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl.

*p*

*mp*

B. Cl.

*play a<sup>2</sup>*

A. Saxes

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Hn.

*play*

*mp*

Tpts.

*mp*

Hn.

*mp*

Tbns.

**8**

**8**

**8**

**8**

Bar./Euph.

*mp*

Tuba

*mp*

Timpani

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

*rim*

*rim*

*mp*

Perc. 2

*mp*

*strike w/ **mp** drumstick*

*rim*

*Sus. Cym.*

Perc. 3

84

85

86

87

88

89



Fls. 1  
Picc. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1  
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxs. 1  
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1  
2

Hn.

Tbns. 1  
2

Bar./  
Euph.

Tuba

Timpani

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

98

98

*f*

95      96      97      98      99

Fls. 1  
Picc. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1

Cls. 2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1  
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1  
2

Hn.

Tbns. 1  
2

Bar./  
Euph.

Tuba

Timpani

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

100

101

102

103

104

106

Fls. 1  
Picc. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls.

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1  
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts.

Hn.

Tbns. 1  
2

Bar./  
Euph.

Tuba

Timpani

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

105      106 *f*      107      108      109 *muffle*